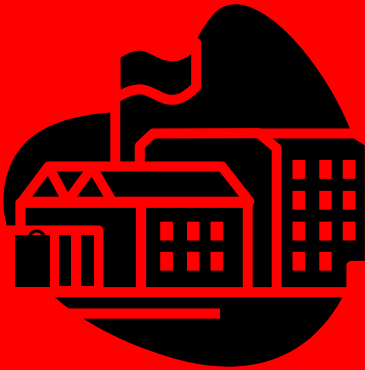


Werner's Weekly Newsletter

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Teacher Notes:

We are off to a fantastic start in kindergarten! All of the children are doing a fabulous job! We are making lots of new friends and getting accustomed to the new routine of school. Please make sure that you have completed and returned all of that lovely paperwork as soon as possible. Also, please return the daily folder (the colored folder) everyday with your child. Have a wonderful weekend, and we will see you back on Monday!

I will send all newsletters via e-mail unless you instruct otherwise. Also, all newsletters and kindergarten information is posted on HJB's website: wcps.k12.va.us/hjb

Language Arts:

We have been learning about rules and safety. To help reinforce appropriate rules, I shared the story, "The Day the Monster Came to School", with the children. The story is a great way for the children to see how you should not act in school and on the bus. As a class, we are developing a set of rules for our classroom. Please ask your child to share some of the classroom rules. We also read lots of stories about starting school like Wemberly Worried (my favorite), The Kissing Hand, A Pocketful of Kisses, and The Night Before Kindergarten- just to name a few. I hope everyone enjoyed their special treat as your child told you about Chester, his mom, and the kissing hand. Cursive writing has been discussed, and we are beginning to learn how to write our names one letter at a time. Please work on this at home if you have the time.

Math:

Has your child been telling you all about horizontal lines? I hope so, because we have been learning about horizontal lines all week in school. We have also been making horizontal lines with our bodies and practicing above and below. The children's favorite part of math time is tubing. This week, I allowed the children time to freely explore the tubing manipulatives and beginning next week, we will have more structured tubing times.

Other Activities:

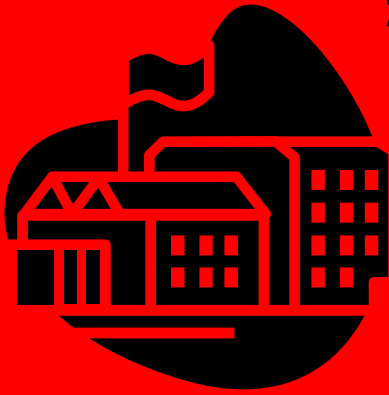
In center time, we played in housekeeping, built with blocks, and looked at books. Center time is always lots of fun for everyone!

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Upcoming Events:

- 9/27 - Back to School Night for Kindergarten
- 10/18 - PALS Testing begins
- 10/26 - Pumpkin Patch Field Trip
- 10/28 - Rain Date for Field Trip



Special Reminders:

- Ice Cream for Kindergarten is on Mondays! Please send in 65 cents to purchase ice cream. If you do not wish for your child to have ice cream, please let us know.
- Please send all money in the Ziploc baggie in your child's daily folder with a note telling us what the money is for.
- Please notify us of any changes to your child's dismissal procedure immediately with a handwritten note or a phone call.
- Please return your child's folder daily!
- You may send in a disposable camera with your child's name for use throughout the year.

Homework:

Cursive writing homework will begin the week of September 20. There will be other homework assignments at various occasions. Please work with your child to complete special homework projects. Remember the most important thing that you can do with your child is read to them daily!

*"You only have to
read on the days
you eat!"*

Next Week:

Next week, we will continue to review safety and rules as well as spend some time getting to know each other. The children will also be allowed to bring a special friend next week; more news about that is to come!

***Please contact me with any
questions and concerns:
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